



## Veterinary Services Europe

### 100th Medical Detachment (VS HQ)



### Noncommissioned Officer in Charge, 21<sup>st</sup> Medical Detachment (VS)(SM)

SSG Christopher N. Forrest was born in Hampton, Virginia and entered into the military in January 1993. He attended basic training at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, and went on to complete Advanced Individual Training at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

His first assignment was as a Food Inspection Specialist assigned to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Medical Detachment (VS) in Ft. Hood, Texas. While there he was deployed in support of Operation Sea Signal, JTF 160 for six months where he worked at the Class I point.

After being assigned to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Medical Detachment for three years, he received PCS orders sending him to Germany, where he was assigned to the 72<sup>nd</sup> Medical Detachment. While in Germany he was deployed to Croatia in Support of Operation Joint Endeavor for nine months.

After another three years he was assigned to Mid-Atlantic District Veterinary Command, attached to the Prime-Vendor Ship Team in Norfolk, Virginia until he ETS'd to attend school. He spent four years in the 4215<sup>th</sup> US Army Reserve Hospital while going to school. He was mobilized in January 2003 and spent three months as an Assistant Squad Leader in Jordan, and five months as a Squad Leader in Qatar.

Upon return he moved to California, where he decided to go back into Active Duty, and received orders to Hohenfels, Germany.

SSG Forrest's military education includes: Food Inspection Specialist Course, Surveillance Food Lab Technician Workshop Course, V Corps Train the Trainer Course, Primary Leadership Development Course, and Serv Safe Course.

Awards include: Expert Field Medical Badge, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, NATO Medal, NCO Professional Development and the Expert Drivers Badge.